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CLAIMS

- 1. A wear-resistant copper-based alloy, comprising, by weight, 4.7 to 22.0% nickel, 0.5 to 5.0% silicon, 2.7 to 22.0% iron, 1.0 to 15.0% chromium, 0.01 to 2.00% cobalt,
- 2.7 to 22.0% one or more of tantalum, titanium, zirconium and hafnium, and the balance of copper with inevitable impurities.
- 2. A wear-resistant copper-based alloy, comprising, by weight, 4.7 to 22.0% nickel, 0.5 to 5.0% silicon, 2.7 to 22.0% iron, 1.0 to 15.0% chromium, 0.01 to 2.00% cobalt,
- 2.7 to 22.0% one or more of molybdenum, tungsten, vanadium, tantalum, titanium, zirconium and hafnium,
- 0.01 to 5.0% one or more of molybdenum carbide, tungsten carbide, vanadium carbide, chromium carbide, tantalum carbide, titanium carbide, zirconium carbide and hafnium carbide, and the balance of copper with inevitable impurities.
- 3. A wear-resistant copper-based alloy according to claim 1 or claim 2, wherein silicide is dispersed therein.
- 4. A wear-resistant copper-based alloy according to one of claims 1 to 3, further comprising a matrix and hard particles dispersed in said matrix,

said matrix having an average hardness of Hv 130 to 250 and said hard particles having a higher average hardness than that of said matrix.

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5. A wear-resistant copper-based alloy according to claim 4, wherein said hard particles have an average particle diameter of 5 to 3000 $\mu\,\mathrm{m}$.

- A wear-resistant copper-based alloy according to one of claims
 to 5, which is used for cladding.
- 7. A wear-resistant copper-based alloy according to one of claims 1 to 6, which is used for cladding by being melted by a high-density energy beam and then solidified.
- 8. A wear-resistant copper-based alloy according to one of claims 1 to 7, which constitutes a cladding layer to be clad on a substrate.
- A wear-resistant copper-based alloy according to one of claims
 to 8, which is used for a sliding member.
- 10. A wear-resistant copper-based alloy according to one of claims 1 to 9, which is used for valve train components for an internal combustion engine.